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EDUCATION

University of Toronto, Canada

Bachelor of Applied Science

Specialist in Computer Engineering

Minor in Robotics and Mechatronics

Advisor: Prof. Sanja Fidler and Prof. Jimmy Ba

Sep. 2014 - Present

Cumulative GPA: 3.92/4.00

Rank: Top 2%

Peking University, China

Summer Exchange Student

Associate Degree in Economics and Literature

Summer 2016

Straight 4.0/4.0

PUBLICATION

- **Y. Zhou***, T. Wang*, S. Fidler, J. Ba. *Neural Graph Evolution: Automatic Robot Design* (* denotes equal contribution. *International Conference on Learning Representations'19*)
- **Y. Zhou**, M. Tapaswi, S. Fidler. *Now You Shake Me: Towards Automatic 4D Cinema* (**Spotlight** in *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition'18*)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Toronto, Vector Institute

Research Assistant

January 2018 - Present

Advisor: Prof. **Sanja Fidler**, Prof. **Jimmy Ba**

- Project on robotic structure design using genetic algorithms.
- Proposed using graphs to model RL agent and designed methods to modify graphs for efficient search.
- Designed methods to visualize the evolutionary progress and the genealogy tree in the genetic algorithm.
- Project on using Graph Network for learning dynamics in model-based reinforcement learning.
- Improved graph network for efficiently learning dynamics and discriminating graph isomorphism.
- Open-sourced a customized graph neural network library implemented in PyTorch and Tensorflow.

University of Toronto

Capstone Research

May 2018 - Present

Advisor: Prof. **Stark Draper**

- Project on power-efficient hand gesture classifier for artificial prostheses control.
- Designed and implemented distributed machine learning optimization method using AWS Lambda service.
- Designed gesture classifier on electromyography (EMG) data for real-time processing.
- Benchmarked the performance of deep learning and signal processing methods for gesture recognition.
- Leading the senior-year capstone design team for project management, documentation, and experiments.

University of Toronto

Research Assistant

January 2017 - November 2017

Advisor: Prof. **Sanja Fidler**

- Project on analyzing physical interaction in movies for automatic annotation of 4D effects in movies.
- Led the project in semantic classification and detection of physical interactions, such as splash, in movies.
- Proposed and designed multi-modal neural networks for processing visual and acoustic features. Performed ablation studies on the usefulness of each modality, and optimized the performance of the joint network.
- Created a crowd-sourcing website and trained human annotators to get high-quality annotations.
- Researched and trained deep neural networks on various audio and video datasets such as SoundNet.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Intel Corp.

Software Engineering Intern

May 2017 - December 2017

San Jose, CA

- Led the project of a cross-version testing pipeline for user designs in Quartus synthesizing team. This project is 10x more efficient comparing to the previous version of the testing framework.
- Optimized error message prompting during compilation for better user experience in Quartus.
- Organized weekly group meeting and held a tutorial in machine learning and deep learning.

Oracle Corp.

R&D Department Intern

July 2015 - August 2015

Beijing, China

- Organized and managed cloud computing resources for R&D department in Cloud Computing team.
- Provided supporting service to Oracle Japan's team by resolving internal service tickets.
- Held tutorials on cloud-computing infrastructures and computer networks within the group.

Huawei Technologies

Software Engineering Intern

May 2015 - June 2015

Beijing, China

- Transplanted automated testing scripts for testing of Ascend Series in Automated Testing team.
- Focusing on the functionalities of Settings, Clocks, and Photos, the testing scripts covers more than 40% of the entire functionalities of Huawei's EMUI operating system.

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

Talk

Google Brain - Talk on *A Topology Space Odyssey*

Vector Robotics Summer School - Talk on *Self-adaptive Robots and Evolution*

Presentation

University of Toronto CV Group meeting on Scattering Transform

Vector Institute AWS Usage showcase meeting on Neural Graph Evolution

AWARDS

Research

Edith Grace Buchan Scholarship (Summer Research 2018)

University Conference Travel Grant (CVPR18, NeurIPS18)

Academic

Dean's List (2015 - Present) (Awarded to high academic performing students)

Competition

Best First Year Team in UTEK Software Design competition (2015)

SKILLS

Programming

Python, MATLAB, C/C++, JavaScript, Java, SQL, Verilog

Framework

PyTorch, Tensorflow, Flask, Numpy, OpenCV, SKLearn

Markup

HTML/CSS, LaTeX, Markdown

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Coursera

Served as the (Chinese) subtitle reviewer & performed final reviews for Calculus I (2015)

Served as the community mentor for Machine Learning (2016)

Served as the (Chinese) subtitle translator for the course Cryptography I (2016)

Volunteer

IEEE Student Branch at University of Toronto Webmaster (2015 - 2016)

IEEE Student Branch at University of Toronto Computer Chapter (2016)

University of Toronto ECE Department mentor (2016 - 2017)

University of Toronto Orientation Week Catering Team (2015)

Sports

ECE Thunder Basketball Team (2015, 2016 Engineering League Champion)

University of Toronto SKULE Badminton Club (2014 - 2015)